

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
REQUEST FOR FILING APPLICATION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 1.53(b)
WITHOUT FILING FEE AND/OR WITHOUT EXECUTED INVENTOR'S DECLARATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Atty. Dkt. 4062-12

Sir:

Date: December 21, 2001



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This is a request for filing a **NEW** PATENT APPLICATION under Rule 53(b) entitled:

PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF DIMETHYL CUMENES

without a filing fee and/or without an executed inventor's oath/declaration.

This application is made by the below identified inventor(s). Attached hereto are the following papers:

☐ Newly executed Declaration, ☐ Copy of Declaration from prior application, ☒ Abstract
17 pages of specification and claims (including 18 numbered claims), and
sheets of accompanying drawing/s.

☐ Record the attached assignment and return to the undersigned.

☐ Attached is a Power of Attorney.

☐ Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on the following foreign applications:

| Application Number | Country | Day/Month/Year Filed |
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, respectively, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application..

☐ Certified copy(ies) of foreign application(s) is/are attached.

☐ Certified copy(ies) filed on _____ in prior application no. _____ filed _____

☐ Please amend the specification by inserting the following paragraph before the first line: --This application claims the benefit of Provisional Application No. _____, filed _____, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.--

Please amend the specification by inserting the following paragraph before the first line: --This application is a ☐ continuation/☐ division/☐ continuation-in-part of Application No. _____, filed _____, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.--

Petition filed in prior application to extend its life to insure co-pendency.

The prior application is assigned to _____

It is hereby requested that the Examiner consider the art cited in the above parent application(s) by applicant and/or the Examiner for the reasons stated therein. A listing of that art is attached, but pursuant to Rule 98(d) copies are not required.

Applicant claims "small entity" status. ☐ "Small entity" statement attached.

Please enter the attached and/or below preliminary amendment **prior** to calculation of filing fee:

Also attached: ☐ Information Disclosure Statement; ☐ Non-Publication Request; ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission; ☐ Statement deleting Inventor(s) named in prior application; ☐ Other:

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☐ See attached sheet(s) for additional inventor(s) information!!

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